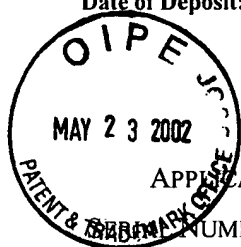


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (1 page), in duplicate;
2. Modified Form 1449/PTO (2 pages), in duplicate;
3. Copies of cited references A1-A3, B1 and C1-C19; and
4. Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 Ref. No. 22058-516 DIV CON. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the attached modified Form PTO-1449, as well as copies of the listed documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action based on the merits in the above-identified case. Accordingly, no fee or certification is believed required.

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